

PUBLIC NEEDS COME FIRST, HIS REMINDER

G. E. Roberts in Talk on Rail Strike Depreciates Class Struggle.

FINDS LABOR WELL OFF

Doubts if It Would Benefit by Complete Return to Pre-War Scale.

George E. Roberts, vice-president of the National City Bank, who was one of the principal speakers in yesterday's sessions of the Industrial Relations Association of America in the Waldorf-Astoria, found a text for a part of his address in the recently averted general railway strike.

Mr. Roberts said no issue could rightly be taken with the often expressed aspiration of labor that better general conditions shall be achieved and maintained for the masses of the people. At the same time, it is well to remember, he said, that approximately 70 per cent of the national income is at present distributed in wages and salaries. He added:

"Nothing else was so disturbing about the threatened railroad strike as that a body of men of such known high intelligence should undertake to constitute themselves alike judge and jury and to use that vantage point in the settlement of questions wherein their demands come into contact with the rights of others and especially of the traveling public."

"It would hardly be fair to condemn the railroad workers as less considerate of their social obligations than are others. We must rather conclude they are representative, and that there is yet no real slighting of the fact of the fact that our chief interests are common interests. Their attitude indicates that the common idea of the business and industrial field is that of a place of struggle, where the contestants must win or lose to each other. There is much in the individual experience to justify this belief, but it is also true that one nevertheless and one that lies at the root of most of our industrial troubles."

"We have got to develop an understanding of the fact that those interests which we have in common are of paramount importance, and are more important than any interest with which they may see me conflict."

Speaking of organized labor's protest against any reduction in its standard of living, Mr. Roberts said official statistics showed that the actual earnings of men employed in war work only slightly increased during the war period. "There is no room for doubt," he said, "that if all wages and all prices could be set back to where they were before the war, the position of wage earners as a class would be better than it is now."

OVERLOADED BOAT COST LIVES OF 11 FISHERMEN

7 Others Rescued in Storm Yesterday Off Angleses.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 2.—An over-loaded boat and not a stormy sea caused the drowning Monday of eleven fishermen off of Angleses, Capt. Rudolph Ridge, Inspector of Coast Guards, said last night. He said it was likely there would be a Federal investigation of the disaster.

Coast guards rescued seven fishermen off Angleses yesterday. The guards said the eleven drowned in a boat across a boat in charge of Capt. "Pop" Hansen with a stalled engine, helpless in a heavy sea, and towed it to safety. Other fishing boats that put out were forced back by the weather.

INTERBOROUGH IS WARNED.

Bronx Grand Jury Rebukes Company for Neglect.

Following failure of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company's directors to authorize improvement in service on the elevated extension of the subway beyond 167th street, in the Bronx, as demanded recently by the Bronx County Grand Jury, that body forwarded yesterday to Justice James O'Malley of the Supreme Court a presentation, saying:

"We, the Bronx Grand Jury, solemnly warn and notify the officials of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company that, in its judgment, the conditions now prevailing border on criminal neglect, and in case of death to travelers shall be deemed evidence of the intent and motives of those responsible."

The presentation also criticised the Transit Commission for tardiness in ordering relief.

WAGE AGREEMENT REJECTED.

New Negotiations Assured on Grand Trunk Railway.

OTTAWA, Nov. 2.—The general committee of Grand Trunk employees, members of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railroad Employees, meeting at Toronto to-day, unanimously rejected the so-called wage agreement, signed at Montreal last week. It was said the action would delay the report of a conciliation board and would force re-opening of negotiations between the railway and its employees.

The tentative agreement was reported to provide for a wage reduction of 10 to 12 per cent.

ROAD MUST REINSTATE MEN.

500 Striking Trainmen Favored in Federal Decision.

HARRISON, Tex., Nov. 2.—Federal Judge J. D. Hutchison to-day ruled that the 500 members of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen of the Internation and Great Northern Railroad who have been on strike since October 22 should be taken back into the employ of the road.

SHORE GAMBLERS WARNED.

Atlantic City Reformer Announces Coming Raids.

ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 2.—Simon Faber, spokesman for the Committee of Four, to-day served notice on gamblers of results of impending raids. He asserted that investigators had been at work for some time gathering evidence. His actions are independent of the Police Department.

Mr. Faber declares he will appear before the City Commission to demand the resignations of Director of Public Safety Cuttibest and other police heads.

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